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2008 Standards Take Effect

August 1, 2009

The effective date for the 2008 Building Energy Efficiency Standards has been changed from July 1, 2009, to August 1, 2009. The Energy Commission agreed to a California Building Standards Commission request that all parts of the California Building Standards Code (Title 24), including the Building Energy Efficiency Standards, be effective on August 1, 2009, so that the entire code update will have the same effective date. The 2008 Standards must be followed if the application for the building permit is submitted on or after August 1, 2009.

Online Learning Center launches early Summer 2009

The Energy Commission is developing an online learning center for building department personnel on the 2008 Energy Efficiency Standards, targeting specific areas of responsibility within the building department. The California Energy Standards Online Learning Center will consist of several courses, each of which will include in-field video presentations, study guides, online quizzes, final exams, an evaluation, and a certificate of completion. Courses will highlight changes to the 2008 Standards, including topics such as HVAC change-outs, cool roofs, lighting, and Home Energy Rating System (HERS) measures. The Online Learning Center will launch in early summer 2009.

Questions related to the standards should be directed to the Energy Commission's Energy Efficiency Hotline (916) 654-5106 or 1-800-772-3300 (toll free in California).
Email: title24@energy.state.ca.us

IHACI and Southern California utilities unite to provide Energy Standards Training

The Institute of Heating and Air Conditioning Industries, Inc., (IHACI) is offering a series of education programs during 2009 to help attendees comply with the high expectations set by the new 2008 Energy Efficiency Standards. Training is provided in co-sponsorships with Southern California Gas, San Diego Gas & Electric, and Southern California Edison. Class modules will be offered throughout the year in California Quality Installation, California Quality Maintenance, and California Quality Service.

Go online to IHACI, click on Training and then Class Schedule:

www.ihaci.com

Or contact your local utilities for additional details on training scheduled in your area.

